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INTERVIEW SUMMARY & STATUS INQUIRY

Sir:

By telephone, the undersigned attorney inquired of the status of the identified application and the pending appeal. In a return message left by Examiner Abdi on March 1, 2007, the Examiner indicated that the application was now before the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences, and advised that if there were further questions as to status they should be referred to the Board. The undersigned attorney contacted the Board on March 19th, 2007, having received no confirmation or docketing notice relative to the Appeal. Ms. Smith, at the Board, indicated that the Board had no record of the Appeal and suggested that the Examiner be contacted to determine status. A subsequent telephone call to the Board on March 29th, 2007 confirmed that the Board did not yet have a record of receiving the matter. The undersigned attorney contacted SPE Fisher in group 3621 on March 29, 2007 and left a telephone message inquiring as to the status of the application, specifically asking if it had been forwarded to the Board. Applicants note that the on-line status (Public PAIR) continues to show the status as "Examiner's Answer to Appeal Brief Mailed" yet the most recent entry in the Transaction History, as of Jan. 20, 2007, is "Exam. Ans. Review Complete."

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Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner, who is assigned to the above-identified patent application, inform the Applicant of the status of the above-identified patent application.

Applicants further request that in the event the rejections are maintained, and the above-identified patent application has not yet been forwarded to the Board, that such action take place immediately so that this matter can be properly docketed for review by the Board.

Respectfully submitted,

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